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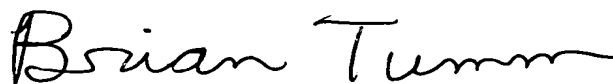
Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2008 imposing a restriction requirement and a telephone interview with the Examiner on August 29, 2008, Applicants hereby elect as follows:

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